



Carmel Adventist College Primary Newsletter

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THE MONKEY AND THE WOODEN APPLES

There once was a happy monkey wandering the jungle, eating delicious fruit when hungry, and resting when tired. One day he came upon a house, where he saw a bowl of the most beautiful apples. He took one in each hand and ran back into the forest. He sniffed the apples and smelled nothing. He tried to eat them, but hurt his teeth. They were made of wood, but they were beautiful, and when the other monkeys saw them, he held onto them even tighter.

He admired his new possessions proudly as he wandered the jungle. They glistened red in the sun, and seemed perfect to him. He became so attached to them, that he didn't even notice his hunger at first.

A fruit tree reminded him, but he felt the apples in his hands. He couldn't bear to set them down to reach for the fruit. In fact, he couldn't relax, either, if he was to defend his apples. A proud, but less happy monkey continued to walk along the forest trails.

The apples became heavier, and the poor little monkey thought about leaving them behind. He was tired, hungry, and he couldn't climb trees or collect fruit with his hands full. What if he just let go?

Letting go of such valuable things seemed crazy, but what else could he do? He was so tired. Seeing the next fruit tree, and smelling it's fruit was enough. He dropped the wooden apples and reached up for his meal. He was happy again.

Like that little monkey, we sometimes carry things that seem too valuable to let go. A person may carry an image of himself as "productive" - carry it like a shiny wooden apple. But in reality, his busyness leaves him tired, and hungry for a better life.

Still, letting go seems crazy. Even his worries are sacred apples - they prove he's "doing everything he can." He holds onto them compulsively. Do you have 'wooden apples' that you're holding on to?

<http://www.dailytenminutes.com/2009/12/monkey-with-wooden-apples.html>

EVENTS CALENDAR

Mud Day - July 3

End of Term 2 - July 3

Term 3 Commences - 21 July

School Photo Day - August 3

PRIMARY UNIFORM SHOP

THE NEW GIRLS BLOUSES HAVE ARRIVED!!!

High School uniform shop opening hours are Monday and Wednesday 9am – 4pm during school term. They will also be open in the holidays on Wednesday 15th and Monday 20th July between 10am – 3pm. Anything outside these times is by appointment only.

The uniform shop at the primary school is open each Friday from 8.45-9.15am.

SING FESTIVAL PHOTOS

If you would like to purchase a photo of the choir's performance at Sing Festival in Churchlands yesterday simply visit www.prophotobooth.com.au and follow the links. The password you will need to provide is: **sgf15**

REPORTS

Semester 1 reports will be available for PARENTS to collect from the office on Friday. If you want our staff to send home your report with your child you will need to provide a written note stating your permission for us to do this.

WORKING BEE

We would once again love your help as we continue work on the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Project.

When: Sunday, 5th July from 2pm – 5pm .

Main tasks: The plan will be to finish off the remaining garden beds, raise and level current garden beds and then if time permits, begin work on the chook pen .

Need: Hand tools, shovels, drills, hammers, tape measures, saws etc

****This is the first weekend of the school holidays.**



SKOOLBAG APP

Carmel Adventist College now has a FREE App that can be downloaded from the respective App stores. The App is able to be used for a whole variety of purposes, but especially for the purpose of instant communication between school and parents.

We encourage ALL parents to install the App on their phone. The calendar of school events and newsletters are all regularly updated on the app. When you need to know about issues (eg bus broken down or late, an update on what's happening can be sent out to all parents as soon as that information is available). Student absences can also be sent via the app (under eForms) and you can even sign the form on your phone!

An increasing amount of communication will come via the App so please download and install it as soon as you can.

In your App store search SKOOLBAG and then scroll down to Carmel Adventist College (the app is for both the primary and high school).

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

KIDS COOKING CLASSES

Are you looking for something to do in the school holidays? Do you want to encourage your child to get into the kitchen more often? This may be just what you are looking for. Cooking classes are being run specifically for children aged 6 and above. They will be held in July on Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th. All children will be cooking one savoury and one sweet food each day. These classes will take place at Anapana Ridge (35 Gilchrist Rd, Lesmurdie). For more information, or to book you place please contact Meghan (0437 907 125) or Cathy (0413 339 873).



ARTISTIC ENDEAVOURS

A fun and creative experience for both children and adults by way of workshops, social groups and holiday programs that incorporate The Arts. Some examples of the fun things that you can create over the school holidays are Tie Dying, String Art, 3D Frozen Castle, Wind Chimes, Cartoon Drawing, Candle Making and Sand Art. To find out more about their program and to make a booking go to: www.artisticendeavours.com.au or call 0438 907 634. They are located at 4/2 Gillam Drive, Kelmscott.

You can also find them on Facebook by following the link <https://www.facebook.com/ArtisticEndeavoursWA>

CARMEL PLAY GROUP

Playgroup has finished for Term 2. It will re-commence in Term 3. Contact Shani Green (0409 881 906) or Rochelle Mulder (0423 126 324) if you would like more information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

The students with a birthday in July are:

Campbell Bishop (5), Campbell Hendry (6), Clay Walker (12), Tabona Dube (15), Ashleigh Mentiplay (17), Summer Adams (18), Keenan Burns (19), Zachariah Collett (19), Harrison Moloney (19), Chriswaddle Nxumalo (20), Zebadiah Warchol (21), Jadon Stankovic (26), James Munt (31) and Elisha Dixon (31).

We pray that God will bless you all in the year ahead.

CHAPLAIN'S NEWS

Watching our school Choir perform in St. George's Cathedral in Perth, was just another good example of the growth of our young people this term. I was very proud of their efforts. It was also great to see a good number of teachers and parents support it as well.

Whether at school or in our wider community we want to keep growing and developing our abilities and talents. This is accelerated by the experiences that we encounter. I am not saying that we get it perfect all of the time but we certainly aim to improve, academically and socially.

This week we have been looking at science and the wonder of the world around us. Monday began with a very enthusiastic visit from SciTech. In science whether it fizzes, flames, smokes or goes bang it's always cool! Each of the classes had some special projects and our Year 6 class visited Carmel College high to look at 'dry ice'. This Friday might be a little messier than usual with 'MUD day' and each of the classes is taking part in one way or another.

Sparking our curiosity doesn't need too much effort but to encourage exploration and trying new things safely requires

two important ingredients: 1) Self-belief and 2) The support of others.

Finally while our teachers spend time preparing for the next term, we trust that you and your families enjoy the time that you have with your children.

- Pr Tharren
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SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING!

Dear Parents,

Our school photo day is scheduled for Monday, August 3! At the beginning of next term every student will receive a Kapture Photography order envelope to bring home. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture's website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. Alternatively you can pay by cash or cheque and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day. **If you place your order online please DO NOT return your envelope to school.**

Any parent who forgets or is unable to supply their envelope on the photo day will have five (5) days to complete an order online. Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture.

SIBLING PHOTOS

You also have the option to order a sibling photo package online, however please be aware there may be a limited number of sibling orders that can be placed due to time constraints on photo day. We suggest you place your online sibling order as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

Please note sibling orders close @ mid-day Friday, 31 July 2015

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email: enquiries@kapture.com.au.

All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group photo available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should NOT be included in the photo shoot –please contact the school office.

Pre-Kindy Students are invited to come along to school for the first part of the morning to have their school photos taken. The scheduled time for the Pre-Kindy photo shoot is 9.10am on MONDAY, August 3.

Pre-Kindy & Kindy



During the term the Pre Kindy's and Kindy's have been enjoying the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen. We have made binoculars and been out in the bush hunting for bears. We found swishy-swashy grass, a big dark forest and an empty cave! Lots of fun has been had by all.





Choir at HymnFest

Carmel Adventist College Primary Choir sang in St Georges Cathedral on the weekend for HymnFest. This event raised \$18 821.28 for the Bible Society's "Get The Word Out" project for south-east Asia. They were accompanied by the Perth Adventist Orchestra and sang "All Things Bright and Beautiful" by John Rutter and "Serve The Lord With Gladness" by Rollo Dilworth.



Year 3/4 and 4 excursion to Kings Park
We investigated plants and pollination, and experienced nature play.